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The following notes, relating to the origin of the names of counties and townships in the Province of Ontario, were collected by H. F. Carleton, editor of the Hamilton Times, as notes for a lecture delivered by him in Hamilton, on March 29th, 1898. It has been suggested that it would be well to complete the record up to date, if possible, not only for the information of present-day readers, but for reference in the future. Anything that will throw light upon such puzzles as Anderson, Ekfrid and Olden, and corrections of any mistakes that have been made, will be thankfully received, before putting the matter into more permanent form.

In 1798 Lord Dorchester issued a proclamation, dated at the Castle of St. Louis, Quebec, forming a certain number of new districts in the Province of Quebec. Upper Canada was formed into four districts, viz.: Lunenburg, which comprised the borders of Lower Canada to the Ganarique River; Mecklenburgh, from the Ganarique to the Trent; Nassau from the Trent to the Lake Huron; and Essex, which embraced the remaining parts of Western Canada, including Detroit. To each of these districts were appointed a Judge and a Sheriff.

In 1791 the Pitt Act was passed, making Upper Canada and Lower Canada separate Provinces. At that time there were distributed along the St. Lawrence, the Bay of Quinte, Niagara frontier, Amherstburg, with the French settlement on the Niagara, and the Indians at Grand River, about 20,000 souls, nearly all of whom had found their way into what is now the Province of Ontario since the close of the American War of the Revolution in 1783.

Colonel John Graves Simcoe, the pioneer Governor of Upper Canada, who was Lieutenant-Governor under Lord Dorchester, entered upon the duties of his office July 8th, 1792. Governor Simcoe divided the Province into 19 counties, the names of which were: Glengarry, Stormont, Dundas, Grenville, Leeds, Frontenac, Ontario, Addington, Lennox, Prince Edward, Hastings, Northumberland, Durham, York, Lincoln, Norfolk, Suffolk, Essex, Kent. Simcoe's Ontario County included Wolfe, Howe, Amherst and the other islands between Ganarique and the Lake Huron. The County of Essex was abolished, and does not appear on the 1798 map. Suffolk was located where Middlesex and Elgin are now.

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Malden, from a borough and market town in Kent, England, 32 miles from London, on the River Medway. Noted for paper manufactures. Colechester, from a city in Essex, Eng., on the River Colne, founded by back to Edward II. and Henry I. Called by the Romans Camulodunum. The vicinity is rich in Roman and other ruins, urns, pottery, rings and other ancient antiquities. Colechester was fortified by Edward the Elder, and

do so many great citizens lie within so narrow a space. High over the venerable graves towers the stately monument of Chatham, and from above, his effigy, graven by a cunning hand, seems still, with eagle face and outstretched arms, to bid England be of good cheer, and to hurl defiance at her foes. The generation which reared that memorial of him has disappeared. The time has come when the rash and indiscriminate judgments which his contemporaries passed on his character may be calmly revised by history. And history, while for the warning of vengeance, high and daring natures, she notes his many errors, will yet deliberately pronounce that among the greatest men whose bones lie near his, scarcely one has left a more stupendous, and none a more splendid, name.

Pitt (Chatham) could silence an opponent with a look of scorn, or crush the whole House with a single word, but he never stooped to the arts by which men form a political party. His real strength, indeed, lay not in his eloquence, but in the people at large.—*Zone-Origins unknown.*

ELGIN COUNTY.
Called after the county of Elgin on the Moray Firth in Scotland, was at first called Suffolk, was next part of Middlesex, and was finally separated and given its present name. Its townships are:

Albion, from a town and watering place in Suffolk, England; the poet, was born there in 1754. Yarmouth, from a borough in Norfolk, England, which contains the Church of St. Andrew, founded in the reign of William Rufus. It is the principal seat of the herring fishery in England.

Dunwich, from a decayed borough of Suffolk, Eng., anciently an important city and capital of East Anglia, but has been almost entirely destroyed by floods of the sea.

Southwell, from a Suffolk borough, which has an import coal trade and a herring fishery.

Malahide, a watering place in Ireland, 9 miles from Dublin, handsome, built and frequented by bachelors. Malahide, Ireland, was the birthplace of Colonel Thomas Talbot. The town of Malahide, in the County of Wick, is also named after the Colonel, who was, in his youth, along with Arthur Wellesley the Duke of Wellington, an officer in the Marquis of Blandford's Regiment of Ireland in 1788-88.

On the recommendation of Governor Simcoe, 5,000 acres of land was granted to Sir Talbot in the County of Cumberland, and he built Castle Malahide, where he kept his bachelor quarters and granted or sold land to immigrants. The first Parliament of Upper Canada, 1792, changed the names of the Districts to Eastern, Midland, Home and Western.

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land from Earl Selkirk, who got it from W. Jarvis, who got it from the Indians for a promise to pay \$5,775 and an actual payment of \$300. Walpole, from Sir Robert Walpole, of Houghton, Earl of Orford, born 1676, died 1745, the great Whig statesman, who was for 20 years the head of the British Government. A friendly critic says that Walpole was beyond question the most eminent, the ablest and the most successful statesman of his day. His ambition only was excessive and insatiable. He was, with the exception perhaps of his brother-in-law, Lord Townshend, the most respectable statesman of that barren period. During his official life he enjoyed sixures which, with the salary he earned, gave him an income of £35,000 a year, but that was the fashion of the time. The Duke and Duchess of Marlborough drew salaries aggregating £20,000 a year.

In Green's History Walpole is described as a young Norfolk landowner of fair fortune, with the tastes and the tastes of the country, from which he sprang. His big square face, his vigorous good-humored face, were those of a common country squire. And in Walpole the squire underlay the statesman.

Which was also originally a part of York, was called after Sir Robert Peel, who succeeded Lord Melbourne as Premier in 1841 and carried through Parliament the bill to repeal the corn laws in 1846. The Queen at first disliked him, but learned to regard him very highly. In idea of the quality of the man may be gathered from the following speech, in reply to a taunt that he would be driven from office: "I shall surrender power, severely censured, I fear, by many honorable men who, from no interested motives, have adhered to the principles of protection, because they looked upon them as important to the interests and welfare of the country. I shall leave a name execrated, I know, by every monopolist who would maintain protection for his own individual benefit. But it may be that I shall leave a name sometimes remembered with expressions of good-will, the abodes of those whose lot it is to labor and to earn their daily bread by the sweat of their brow, when they shall recall the exertions that I have made, the abundant and untaxed food the sweeter because it is so, or leavened by a sense of justice."

Sir Robert Peel brought in a bill to amend the law relating to the police, and he is to this day called Peeler.

The townships of Peel County are: Richmond, an Indian derivation; Toronto, and Toronto Gore, from Tarento, an Italian engineer, who constructed a fort at or near the present site of Toronto city.

WELLAND COUNTY.
Was originally a part of Lincoln and does not appear on the 1798 map. A separate county until 1851. Lincoln also included what is now South Westworth and in the map of Upper Canada, made by Acting Surveyor General Smith in 1798. It was divided into four ridings, which by the Union Act of 1840 were reduced to two. On the map Barton, Ancaster, Glanville, Brimley, and the third riding, Clinton, Colchester and Gainsborough townships were in the first riding of Lincoln; Louth, Stamford and Newark in the second; the name of Lincoln was in the third; Wainfleet, Crowland, Humberstone and Bertie in the fourth. By the Union Act of 1840 the old four ridings were merged into the North Riding and the third and fourth ridings into the South Riding. The name of Welland County is taken from the name of the River Lincoln, an ancient name of England.

YORK COUNTY.
Is called after Yorkshire in England. Its townships Etobicoke has an Indian name. After York City on the River Ouse, capital of Yorkshire, England, famous for its minister or cathedral, established in the seventh century. York, the seat of the government with the Romans held Britain. Its citizens joined the Scots and Danes against William the Conqueror, and after their defeat razed the city to the ground.

Governor Simcoe called Toronto by the name of York, in honor of Prince George, Duke of York, second son of George III. who in 1793 fought a duel with pistols on Wimbledon common with Col. Lennox, afterward Lord Albemarle. The town probably took its name from the town. Scarborough, from a seaport town in the North riding of Yorkshire, England, extended for its mineral waters and bathing. Whitby, from a market town in England, county of Hants, or another name.

WENTWORTH COUNTY.
Gets its name from Lieutenant-Governor John Wentworth, of Nova Scotia, 1792-1808, to whom Mr. Dundas wrote on 5th Feb. 1793: "Sir,—I have received the King's command to signify to His Majesty's pleasure that you do instantly take the necessary steps for raising and forming a militia among the inhabitants of Nova Scotia a corps not exceeding 600 men, to be divided into six companies, and His Majesty is graciously pleased to grant you the command this corps, with the pro-

girl, Mary Simpson, daughter of a great Canadian merchant of the period. At the time of Nelson's visit she was but 16 years old, marvellously beautiful and witty. On Oct. 14, 1782, Lord Nelson's ship, the Albemarle, was ready to sail, and he had a very sad and tender parting with Mary Simpson, and went down the St. Lawrence to board the man-of-war. The next morning arrived and the Albemarle did not leave the harbor until it was late in the evening. Nelson is quoted as having said: "I find it absolutely impossible to leave this place without again waiting upon her (Mary Simpson), and to bid her adieu with a sigh, and my fortune at her feet." Nelson's friend protested against such a rash act and told him that, "fated as you are at present, to return, it will inevitably follow." "Then let it follow," replied Nelson, earnestly, "for I am resolved to do it." 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“Cavender’s House,” founded by Richard Watts in the reign of Elizabeth. The cathedral dates from 1004, rebuilt about 1070.

Malden, once a borough and market town in Kent, England, 32 miles from London, on the River Medway. Noted for paper manufactures. Colchester, from a city in Essex, England, on the River Colne, 51 miles from London. Contains churches dating back to Edward I. and Henry I. Called by the Romans, Caudestrum. The vicinity is rich in Roman coins, vases, urns, pottery, rings and other Roman antiquities. Colchester was fortified by Edward the Elder, and at the time of the Domesday survey was a place of no small note.

Charles Abbot, born 1757, died 1829, Speaker of the British House of Commons 1802-1817, was raised to the peerage as Baron Colchester.

Gosfield, from a park in Essex, England, east of Bradford.

Tilbury, from Tilbury Fort on the Thames in Essex, opposite Gravesend in Kent; a large brick fortification originally erected by Henry VIII.

Anderson, an Indian reserve cut off from Malien in 1871, when the Huron Tract was surrendered by the Indians to the Crown. Origin of the name unknown.

Sandwich, from an English borough and cinque port in Kent County, with three ancient hospitals. About the beginning of the 16th century the filling up of the harbor with sand reduced the importance of the port. Sandwich was frequently attacked by the Danes and plundered by the French in the wars.

John Montagu, fourth Earl of Sandwich, born 1718, died 1792, was First Lord of the Admiralty 1748-51, 1763-65, and 1771-82. His “Voyage Round the Mediterranean” was published posthumously in 1799, accompanied with a memoir.

The township of Sandwich was settled in 1700 by the soldiers of a disbanded French regiment, who, as the first class of emigrants, were to turn loose in a new country. One of them sold his hundred acres for a fitch of bacon.

KENT COUNTY.

Called after the English county of the same name, contains the townships of Bonny Bay, name derivation as Tilbury in Essex.

Romey, from a decayed town and cinque port in Kent, England. Romey Marsh, a sheep pasture of 21,000 acres, is probably the site of the immense embankment. Romey Marsh was a favorite place for smugglers to operate in the old days of high customs duties, and the marshy sandy flats, where easy landings could be effected, and the lily and broken ground at the back, which afforded exceptional facilities for the concealment of contraband goods.

George Romey was an English painter, 1734-1802, who obtained in 1763 the second premium of 50 guineas for a picture of the Death of General Wolfe.

Dover, from a seaport town in Kent, England, where Caesar first tried to land; famous for its castle, with walls, bastions, and barracks for 2,000 men, supposed to have been founded by the Romans.

Raleigh.—There is a town called Raleigh on the old maps of Essex, England. The township of Raleigh has been named after Sir Walter Raleigh, born 1552, beheaded 1618, a favorite of Queen Elizabeth, who brought potatoes and tobacco from Virginia—a man of indomitable dauntless courage, extensive knowledge and varied accomplishments. His speeches show a knowledge of the European political economy far above his time.

Macaulay says in his essay on “Burleigh and his Times”:

“We had intended to say something concerning Raleigh the soldier, the sailor, the scholar, the courtier, the orator, the poet, the historian, the philosopher, when we picture to our selves, sometimes reviewing the Queen’s guard, sometimes giving glory to a Spanish galleon, then answering the chiefs of the country party in the House of Commons, then again murdering one of the great favorites near the ears of Her Highness the lady of honor, and soon after pouring over the Talmud, or collating Polybius with Livy.”

Orford, from a town in Suffolk, England, with a large parish church, and the remains of a Norman castle. Sir Robert Walpole was the first Earl of Orford.

Howard, after a town in Essex, England, whose daughter, Lady Mary Howard, was married to Sir Guy Carleton, Governor-General of Canada, at the time these townships were surveyed by Macaulay.

Camden (West) in Kent, and Camden (East) in Addington County, from Charles Pratt, Earl of Camden and Viscount Bayham of Bayham Abbey, who died in 1794, Chief Justice of the common pleas, Lord Chancellor in Chatham’s Government (1796), and President of the Council under George III. for nine years. He opposed the taxation of America. Macaulay says Lord Camden’s integrity, ability and constitutional knowledge commanded the public respect.

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The Canadian township of Dorchester is called after the Governor-General, Sir Guy Carleton, Lord Dorchester.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY.

Is called after the English Middlesex, a town in London.

London, after the great city in England.

Westminster, after a district in the City of London.

Adelaide, after the wife of King William IV.

Metcalfe, after Sir Charles Metcalfe, who was Governor-General of Canada in 1843, was a Scotchman, who was born in India, and whose epitaph, written by Macaulay, terms him “a statesman, tried in many offices and difficulties, and found equal to all.” A good man, kind, generous and affable, with a heart overflowing with Christian charity, and a hand ready to help the needy. Sir Charles Metcalfe met his death by a stroke and conferred upon British India a totally unshaken peace.

London, after a district in Wales, mentioned by Sir Robert Murchison, the geologist; or from the Right Hon. John Hobart Caradoc, Lord Howden, born 1799, an American Caradoc, who was a member of the House of Commons in 1849, and at the siege of Antwerp in 1859. Was ambassador at the Court of Madrid. He sat in Parliament as M. P. for Dunfermline, and the passing of the Reform Bill.

Mosa, the Latin and Spanish name of the River Meuse, in Belgic Gaul. It was the banks of the River Meuse that the British army was drawn up a few days before the battle of Waterloo.

Delaware, the Spanish word for wolf. Delaware, the Indian name, who, having been converted by the Moravians, were driven from one point to another in the United States, some of them fled to the Delaware River in Upper Canada. The name comes from Lord De la Warr, Governor of Virginia, in 1610, whose title was the first found in the British peerage, borne by the title “Tannam” was a Delaware Chief.

Biddulph, from John Biddulph, one of the original directors of the Canada Land Company.

McGillivray, from Simon McGillivray, another director.

Wilmot, East and West, from William Wilmot, another director. Ekfrid, unknown. The nearest approach to it is Ekfrith, a king of Northumbria, who fell in the war with the Picts in D. 685.

OXFORD COUNTY.

Called after the English county and city, contains:

Oxford township, same derivation.

Norwich, from the capital city of the county of Norfolk, England, with its walls, and the cathedral, which has been noted for its woolen fabrics since the reign of Henry I, when a colony of Flemings settled in the town to begin the manufacture with long wool spun in the adjacent village of Worstead, whence the name of the product took the name of the following.

Norwich, from a market town in Norfolk, England, 15 miles from Norwich.

Blenheim, from the village in Berkshire, where the great battle was fought in 1704, in which the Duke of Marlborough put the French to rout. Blenheim Castle at Woodstock, in Oxfordshire, England, was built by the nation and presented to Marlborough.

Blanford is a town in Dorsetshire, formerly a sand and lace manufactures. One of the Duke of Devonshire’s titles was Marquis of Blanford.

Zorra, from the Spanish word for a strumpet; a sly, crafty person. Some derive this name from Zorah, the birthplace of Babylon, mentioned in Judges xiii. 5. But probably got its name in the same way from Zorra, a village in Missouri, probably Indian, akin to Missouri, which means mud river.

The Embro Courier is responsible for the following: We venture to say that there are few people who know how the township of Nissouri got its name. An old man, whose people now live in the township of Nissouri, and who in the very early history of Nissouri lived in the northern part of that township, gave the writer a story which seemed reasonable, and is likely true. Long ago, when this county and other adjoining counties were a part of the township of Nissouri, Scotch settlers named a section (known now as West and East Zorra) after the birthplace of Sanson.

Some of the Scotch people, in the west, and in speaking of the section of the county in which they lived, described it as being “high Zorra,” or near Zorra, which was the name of the township of Nissouri people who yet in the township of Nissouri.

NORFOLK COUNTY.

Is named after the English Norfolk. Is of two towns.

Townsend takes its name from General Townsend, who, with Admiral Boscawen, signed the articles of capitulation of the Duke of York. He came Right Hon. Thomas Townsend, Secretary of State 1782-89, Lord of the Treasury 1793-1800, to whom the Treaty of Amiens and the despatches are addressed.

Windham, from Right Hon. William Windham, Colonial Secretary, whose name is on the map of the township.

In taken from the English County of Lincoln.

WENTWORTH COUNTY.

Gets its name from Lieutenant-Governor John Wentworth, of Nova Scotia, 1792-1808, to whom Mr. Dundas wrote on Feb. 18, 1793.

“Sir,—I am very glad to hear the King’s command to signify to you His Majesty’s pleasure that you do instantly raise the necessary steps for raising and forming a corps, and that the inhabitants of Nova Scotia a corps not exceeding 600 men, to be divided into six companies, and His Majesty is pleased to allow you to command this corps, and to provide a provisional rank of colonel, but without any pay in consequence thereof.”

John Wentworth was born at Portsmouth, New Hampshire, in 1740, and died at Halifax in 1820. The Governor of New Hampshire appointed him Secretary of the Province, and the King’s woods in North America, a position in which he acquired great wealth. When the Revolutionary War broke out, he fled to Nova Scotia. His only son died childless. He left the property to his cousin, Catharine Francis Gore, the novelist.

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Beaufort, after the English County, or Duke, head of the great house of Russell, on whom Lord John Russell, the Prime Minister, was a noted member.

Hinchinbrook, from a title of the Duke of Devon, Government in 1796. There is also Hinchinbrook in Nunbury in Huntingdonshire, England, and Lord Nelson commanded the ship Hinchinbrook in 1796.

Clarendon, from Lord Clarendon, head of a noble family, and brother of the late Charles Pelham Villiers, was a member of the House of Commons and a colleague of Lord Palmerston.

Palmerston, after Henry John Temple, Lord Palmerston, "Old Pam," Premier in 1835 and 1859. Foreign Secretary, and the name of the man who built Epsom and Melbourne, in approved style. Born 1784, died 1865. A prominent leader of the Liberal party, and the death. Opposed the Ashburton treaty, declared in favor of the absolute repeal of the Corn Laws in 1845, helped to secure recognition of the House of Commons, and the coalition with France against Russia.

Indefatigable in business, fond of the pleasures of society and of great energy.

Miller, from Hugh Miller, the Scotch geologist, author of "Old Red Sandstone."

Canotto—An Irish name says this lived there many years ago.

Olden—Unknown.

Finch, after the wife of the first Earl Mansfield, aunt of Viscount Stormont.

Omanbruck, after a town and province in Hanover, belonging to the House of Brunswick, where George was born in 1840. The name was a bishopric, having been founded by Charlemagne. The last hereditary bishop, Frederick, Duke of York, died in 1840.

Cornwall, after the county in the southwest of England, famous for tin and Trelawney.

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GLENGARRY COUNTY

Takes its name from the Glen Garry in 1839. It is a large and fertile tract of land, and was settled by many Scotch Highlanders, who had settled in the Mohawk Valley, New York, on invitation of Sir William Johnson, left the United States during the revolution, and came to Canada, and settling on the Bay of Quinte and on the banks of the St. Lawrence, which are now the counties of Glengarry and Stormont. Between the years 1780 and 1790, consolidation of the small farms in the Highlands of Scotland caused great distress to the dispossessed tenants. Bishop McDonnell found employment for many of them in the Glasgow factories, but when trade became dull and employment scarce, he obtained the King's permission to raise a Catholic regiment, which did good service in repressing the Irish rebellion in 1800. The Irish rebellion, again reduced the Glengarry men to want, and the Bishop applied for aid in Canada, where they might settle. Premier Addington, Lord Selkirk, and the Duke of York, recommended that he should send them to Trinidad, but finally the Bishop got for every one of the Glengarry regiment a grant of 200 acres of land in Canada. The Bishop raised the Glengarry Fencible regiment for the war of 1812, and for this and other services Earl Selkirk was awarded a salary of £600, and made him the first diocesan Catholic Bishop in the British dominions since the Reformation. In 1839, the Bishop of the diocese of England with his friend Dr. Rolph, of Ancaster, to arrange for the emigration of more Highlanders to Canada. He died in 1879, and his remains are now published for the first time. Lord Selkirk and his colleagues can, of course, never be freed from the disrepute of having been the cause of the Canadian interests that two men to whom the negotiations were chiefly entrusted (Messrs. Oswald and Vaucland) have been found to have been in the wrong.

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Scott, after Yonge's residence, Sir Edward Lloyd (Baron Mostyn), married Amelia, daughter of Sir William Yonge, of Scott, Devon.

Elizabethtown, after Princess Elizabeth, daughter of George III.

Crosby, after a place in England. Lieut. W. Crosby, Superintendent of the armed storeship Antrim, in 1778, is mentioned in the Archives.

Elmsley takes its name from Chief Justice William Elmsley, who died in 1805, aged 42, leaving a large family.

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The townships of Carleton County are:

Osgoode, after William Osgoode, Chief Justice of Canada, from 1792 to 1801; came out with Gov. Simcoe, was 1794, and was 1794. Osgoode Hall in Toronto is named after him. "He died in affluent circumstances, the result of laudable prudence, without the smallest taint of avarice, or liberal liberality."

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Parline, after a place in Scotland.

Burford, which formerly belonged to Oxford County, is the name of a place in Oxford, England, and Earl Burford is the name of the titles of the Duke of St. Albans.

Oakland, a small township formerly called the Gore of Burford, probably got its name from the oak trees.

Wellesley, from Arthur Wellesley, Duke of Wellington, born at Dublin 1769, died at Walmer Castle, 1852. He served in Holland (1794), in India (1797), in Portugal (1808), and defeated Napoleon at the great Battle of Waterloo, June 18th, 1815. He subsequently held important positions in the British Government, and was Premier in 1828.

The townships in Wellington County are:

Burleigh, from a high officer of the army, named Elizabeth.

Chandos, from Lord Chandos, Duke of Buckingham and Chandos.

Anstruther, a member of Parliament who took part in the debate which caused the quarrel between Pitt and Fox. The name is yet represented in the House of Commons. The London Canadian Gazette of a recent date contained the following notice: "Sir Windham C. J. Carmichael-Anstruther, ninth baronet of Nova Scotia, and fifth of Great Britain, of Anstruther, Fifehire, died on Wednesday, June 17th, 1891, at his house, Thackeray, aged 74. He was the only son of Sir Windham Carmichael-Anstruther, eighth baronet, and was born in 1816. He succeeded to the title and family honors in 1869. He married, in 1872, Janet, the only daughter of Mr. Robt. Herdman of Dundee, and had three sons, and was left a widower in 1891."

Rov. Dr. Thomas Caldwell was born at Anstruther, in Fife, March 17th, 1790.

Brook, from Sir John Harvey, born 1778, supposed to be a natural son of Lord Paget, Earl of Uxbridge and Malabar, was appointed deputy adjutant-general in the army in Canada (1812); planned and executed the capture of Stony Creek (June 5th, 1813); was Governor of Nova Brunswick, Newfoundland and Nova Scotia. Died in 1840.

Cavendish, from Henry Cavendish, the chemist, (1731-1810) who measured the density of the earth, discovered the laws of attraction, and made experiments with hydrogen, etc. Galway, from the county of that name in Ireland.

Belmont, from an unknown.

VICTORIA COUNTY

Was called after Her Majesty Queen Victoria, of Great Britain and Ireland, born May 24th, 1819, succeeded her uncle, King William IV, June 20th, 1837.

The townships of Victoria County are:

Ops, Latin for wealth, riches.

Mariposa, Spanish for butterfly, also the name of a county in California.

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Which formerly extended from Hamilton to the Georgian Bay, and included Wellington County, was named after its name from the battle that Wellington and Napoleon fought in 1815. Its townships are:

Dunlop, after Sir Arthur Wellesley, Duke of Wellington.

Woolwich, the name of the arsenal town in Kent, England, where Henry V. died in 1422.

Wilmot, from Mr. Wilmot, Private Secretary to Lord Liverpool in 1810; or from a Mr. Wilmot, who was made an honorary member by the Government of Canada in 1810.

North Dumfries, from the County of Dumfries, in Scotland.

Waterloo, after the battle.

DUFFERIN COUNTY

In named after Sir Frederick Temple, Baron Dufferin, who was Governor of Dufferin and Viscount Clarendon, who was Governor-General of Canada 1872-78; Ambassador to Russia, Turkey, and France; Governor-General of India, etc.

The townships of Dufferin are:

Mono, which is the Spanish word for monkey.

Melanchton, the German religious Reformer, "Schwartz Erde."

Luther (Martin).

Amaranth, a flower of the ex-crooked variety, which does not fade or wither when plucked.

Mulmur, unknown.

PERTH COUNTY

Is named from Perthshire in Scotland. Its settlement and that of the adjacent county of Huron was conducted by the Canadian Government, of which McMillan says: "The survey of 1824 was distinguished by the formation, under an Imperial charter, of the Canada Land Com-

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Orford, from a town in Suffolk, England, with a large church, and fine remains of a Norman castle. Sir Robert Walpole was the first Earl of Orford.

Howard, after the Earl of Effingham, whose daughter, Lady Mary Howard, was married to Sir Guy Carleton, Governor-General of Canada, at the time these townships were surveyed and named.

Camden (West) in Kent, and Camden (East) in Addington County, from Charles Pratt, Earl of Camden and Viscount Bayham of Bayham Abbey, Sussex, born 1714, died 1794, Chief Justice of the common laws, Lord Chancellor in Charles Abbott's Ministry. Lady Mary Howard, was married to Sir Guy Carleton, Governor-General of Canada, at the time these townships were surveyed and named.

The following is clipped from an Ottawa paper:

"Those who met Lord Camden on his tour through Canada, had some idea of the interest in hearing that his engagement has just been announced to Miss Joan Nevill, a daughter of Lord Henry Nevill and granddaughter of the Marquis in Chatham. But what will appeal more to Ottawans is that Miss Nevill is a niece of the two Captain Stratfields, who were, each in his time, distinctly popular here."

Chatham, from Chatham, a Parliamentary borough and naval arsenal of England, on the right bank of the Medway, near its confluence with the Thames, 30 miles from London. The dockyard is a mile long. In 1697 the Dutch under De Ruyter sailed up to Chatham, destroyed the stores, and carried off a ship of war, the Royal Charles.

On September 20th, 1793, Governor Simcoe wrote to Secretary Dundas proposing London as the seat of Government for Upper Canada, and saying that in England there is a place to be called Oxford (Woodstock), likely to become a town, and another likely to become the capital of the Lower District, called Chatham (Canberra of Ohio).

The situations of these three points on the Canadian Thames, corresponding to Oxford, London, and Chatham on the Thames in England, suggests the motive in selecting those names.

William Pitt was Premier in 1793, and the fact that he was the son of William Pitt, first Earl of Chatham, may have had something to do with the choice of this name by Simcoe for the town and township. The story of William Pitt, the great Commoner, born 1708, died 1778, from the time he entered Parliament as a young cornet of horse and replied to Sir Robert Walpole's charge of youth and inexperience in the speech beginning with "The atrocious crime of being a young man," until the time when, as Earl of Chatham, he left his sick bed to protest against the employment of Indians in America, saying "My Lords, I am old and weak, and at present I cannot say more, but I could not have said less; if I were an American, as I am an Englishman, while a foreign troop was landed in my country, I never would lay down my arms, never, never, never!" is familiar to every student of English history, as is Macaulay's saying that "Pitt was no ready debater like Walpole, no speaker of set speeches like Chesterfield. His set speeches were always his worst. But passionless as was Pitt, the eloquence of his words was that of a statesman, not of a rhetorician."

"Chatham sleeps near the northern door of the Church (Westminster Abbey) in a spot which has ever since been appropriated to statesmen, as the other end of the same transept has long been to poets. Mansfield rests there, and the second William Pitt, and Fox, and Grattan, and Canning and Wilberforce. In no other cemetery

But it probably got its name in the same way as Lobo in Middlesex. Nisouri, probably Indian, akin to Missouri, which means mud river.

The Embro Courier is responsible for the following: "We venture to say that there are few people who know how the township of Nisouri got its name. An old man, whose people now live in the eastern part of Ontario and who in the very early history of Nisouri lived in the northern part of that township, gave the writer a history of how the township was named, which seemed reasonable, and is likely true. Long ago, when this county and other adjoining counties were known as the 'District of Brock,' Scotch settlers named a section (known now as West and East Zorra) after the birthplace of Jameson. Some Yankees settled in the west, and in speaking of the section of the county in which they lived, described it as being 'high Zorra,' or near Zorra. There are letters 'et in the possession of Nisouri people addressed 'high Zorra,' but for near half a century the township has been known as Nisouri."

NORFOLK COUNTY

is named after the English Norfolk. Of its township takes its name from General Townshend, who with Admiral Saunders, signed the articles of capitulation at Quebec in 1759. He became Right Hon. Thomas Townshend, Secretary of State, 1782-88, Lord of the Treasury 1793-1800, to whom many of Governor Haldimand's despatches are addressed.

Windsor, from Right Hon. William Windham, Colonial Secretary, whose voluminous correspondence on Canadian affairs fills many pages of the Archives. Macaulay calls William Windham an accomplished and ingenious orator, to whom it was a privilege to listen.

Walsingham, from Sir William de Grey, Baron Walsingham, who was Attorney-General in 1762, and afterward Lord Chief Justice of the Common Pleas. There is a market town in Durham, England, called Walsingham or Wolsingham.

Windsor, from the residence of Sir Robert Walpole in England. There was a Lieut. Houghton, a scout, who made frequent reports to the Governor during the Revolutionary war.

Middleton, from a town in Lancashire, England, in which there are silk and cotton manufactures. Also, a town in Ireland. Also, Middleton Abbey, a Cistercian house, founded by Woodhouse, origin unknown. Possibly a corruption of Wodehouse, the family name of the Earl of Kimbri.

HALDIMAND COUNTY

Was named after Sir Frederick Haldimand, a native of Switzerland, Major-General in the British Army, who held important commands at Blenheim and during the Revolution, and was appointed Governor-General of Canada in 1777, succeeding Sir Guy Carleton. He was the author of what is known as the Haldimand Collection of Letters and Papers, relating to Canadian affairs between 1755 and 1790, which forms part of the Canadian Archives at Ottawa. He granted lands on both sides of the Grand River to the Mohawk Indians, who had fought against the Americans in the war and arranged for the settlement in Upper Canada of the U. E. Loyalists. A township in Northumberland County is also named after Sir Frederick Haldimand. The townships of Haldimand are:

Cayuga, Onondaga and Seneca, after tribes of the Six Nations Indians.

Dunn, from Hon. Thomas Dunn, a member of the Executive Council of Canada, who was Administrator of the Government after Sir Robert Shore Milnes went back to England in 1803. Rainham, from a village in Norfolk, England, near Norwich.

Sherbrooke, from Sir John Coape Sherbrooke, who succeeded Sir Gordon Drummond as Governor of Canada in 1816.

Donnaco, from Benjamin Canby, who procured 10,000 acres of land in the township from an Indian, named Jim Dockstead, on a promise to pay \$5,000 to maintain the Indian's children.

Moulton, the family seat of the Boulton, in Lincolnshire, England. Henry J. Boulton, Attorney-General of Upper Canada, got 30,800 acres of Indian

Duke of Ancester, was a Minister of the Crown at or about the time Ancester township got its name.

By the sixth section of the Constitutional Act (1791) provision was made for the creation of a hereditary nobility in Canada, with the hereditary right of being summoned to the Legislative Council. Happy this authority was not exercised; otherwise, as Robert Gourlay remarked, "we should have seen, perhaps, the Duke of Ontario leading in a cart of hay, my Lord Erie pitching and Sir Peter Superior making the rick; or perhaps His Grace might now have been figuring as a pettyfogging lawyer, his Lordship as a peevish and snarling old man, and Sir John as a poor parson, starving on 5,000 acres of clergy reserves."

We were spared the spectacle of such absurdities, and life members of the Legislative Council were the nearest approach to a nobility vocalized to "Chiefs of the water"; others say it was the name of a tribe. Governor Simcoe tried to substitute the English name Newark for Niagara, but the people preferred the latter, and the name Niagara was formally re-instated by law in 1793.

Clinton may have been called after Sir Henry Clinton, Commander of His Majesty's forces in America during the War of the Revolution. But Pelham and Clinton are both family names of the Duke of Newcastle, Earl of Lincoln, of whom the following is taken from an article in the North British Review:

"From 1742 to 1757 the Pelhams were in power. Henry Pelham was a man of a cheerful and cheerful temper, but of good sense and industrious business habits. His brother, the Duke of Newcastle, was probably the greatest fool who ever held high office in this country, yet he was easily led by intrigue, by Parliamentary corruption he contrived to remain Minister for nearly 30 years, and Premier for nearly ten."

The townships of the present North Westworth have Yorkshire names, the county of York originally extending from Durham County to what is now Barre and Waterloo. They are:

Beverly, from a Parliamentary borough in the East Riding of Yorkshire, England, which has a minister or Collegiate Church, founded by John of Beverley, with the famous Percy barons, the oldest title of the origin of the town is traced to the 8th century.

Flamborough, East and West, from Flamborough Head, a promontory on the coast of Yorkshire, England, which is 130 feet above the sea. There is a lighthouse, and Flamborough village stands near the centre of the promontory.

From Burlington Beach to Etobicoke township in the present County of York, there was an Indian reserve of 80,000 acres, which was purchased by the Crown in 1805 for £1,700, on the recommendation of Governor Simcoe, as the title was laid out from Toronto to Dundas and Niagara. The counties of Hants and Peel are included in this tract of Mississauga land.

One of the titles of the Duke of Devonshire is Earl of Burlington.

HALTON COUNTY

Is named after William Halton, who was Secretary to Governor Gore as late as 1840, by the Union Act. Halton was divided into two ridings, the East Riding consisting of the townships of Trafalgar, Nelson, Esquimaux, Nassagaweya, East and West Flamborough, "Erin" and Beverly, the west riding consisting of Garafraxa, Nichol, Woolwich, Guelph, Waterloo, Wilmet, Danforth, Puslinch, Eramosa, each riding to elect one member.

As now constituted Halton contains the townships of:

Esquimaux, an Indian name.

Nassagaweya, Indian.

Trafalgar, from the great naval battle in which Lord Nelson lost his life.

Nelson, from Horatio Nelson, Viscount Nelson, Duke of Bront, who was born in 1758, won the battle of St. Vincent, under Sir John Jervis, in 1797; the battle of the Nile in 1801; the battle of Copenhagen in 1801; fell in the battle of Trafalgar Oct. 21st, 1805. "England expects every man to do his duty."

There is a pretty romance which gives Nelson's memory a sentimental interest. Nelson, during his service at 24 years of age, he became infatuated with a beautiful Canadian

Brook is named after Major-General Sir Isaac Brock, who fell in the same war at "Queenston Heights. Sir Isaac Brock's "Life" has been written by Sir D. B. Read, of Toronto, and the story forms part of every history of Canada. The Archives show that Sir Isaac's brother William promptly applied to the Duke of Devonshire, British Government, asking "that he would grant some of the waste lands in Upper Canada to the family of the late Major-General Brock, to keep Sir Isaac's name in the world." A pension of £200 a year was granted to each of Sir Isaac's four brothers. The name of Brockville was given to Elizabethtown (or Stirlington), as some called it, in honor of Sir Isaac Brock, and a district which included the present County of Oxford for many years bore the name of the Brock district.

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Rama is also the Spanish word for branch of a tree.

Seugog is an Indian word, meaning submerged land.

It is called after the English County, in which the Lord Durham takes his title. Its townships are:

Darlington, from a Parliamentary borough of Durham, England, containing a Gothic church founded in 1140. The town is governed by a bailiff appointed by the Bishop of Durham.

Clarke, after Major-General Alured Clarke, who was Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Ontario, and the correspondence in the Archives with Dundas, Simcoe and others, to have been a careful and capable business man.

Sir Alured Clarke was born about 1745; served in Germany under Lord Granby in 1759; accompanied Howe to New York; Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Ontario, 1800-1801; with reinforcements to India, became Commander-in-Chief in India and died in 1832, aged 87.

Hope, after Colonel Hope, a member of the Executive Council, who acted as Governor in 1786, while awaiting the arrival of Lord Dorchester.

The second row of townships in this country was settled by Irish immigrants, who brought the names of:

Manvers, after a county of Ireland, and

Carleton, a county of Ireland.

Cartwright township was called after the Hon. Richard Cartwright, member of the Executive Council, grandfather of Sir Richard Cartwright, the present Minister of Trade and Commerce. In 1793, Mr. Cartwright estimated that only one-twentieth of the population of Upper Canada belonged to the Church of England, and though a devoted member of that Church himself, he strongly protested against giving it the same exclusive privileges it enjoyed in Britain. He advocated allowing ministers of all churches to perform the marriage ceremony, but that right was not granted till 1831.

NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY

Called after the English County of the same name, for a long time included the present county of Peterborough, which was described in the Union Act of 1840 as the North Riding of Northumberland. Its townships are:

Murray, after Sir James Murray, Governor of Quebec from 1763 to 1767.

Cramah, a Swiss Secretary to Governor Murray, and himself administrator of the Government after Sir Guy Carleton's departure for England in 1770.

Haldimand, Governor 1778-1783, and

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Clunsey takes its name from Chief Justice William Clunsey, who died in 1805, aged 42, leaving a large family. "From Clunsey, a name which had no relation to that of the Government land; also, that the Government land had his residence in Quebec, York and Newark for military or other purposes."

Kitley may be called from a character called Kitley in Ben Jonson's play, "Every Man in His Humor." There is also a Kitley township in Sumner County, Ontario.

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mouth, wanted to send them to Teindland, but finally the Bishop gave for every one of the Glenargy regiment a grant of 200 acres of land in Canada. The Bishop gave the Glenargy Fencibles regiment for the war of 1812, and for this and other services Earl Bathurst granted him a salary of £600, and made him the first and only Catholic Bishop in the British dominions since the Reformation.

In 1839 Bishop McDonnell went to England with his friend Dr. Rolph, of Ancester, to arrange for the emigration of more Highlanders to Canada. He died there in 1840, aged 79 years.

The townships of Glenargy County are:

Lancaster, from the English city, capital of Lancashire, famous for its great aqueduct and the castle, founded at the conquest on the site of a Roman station.

Charlottetown, after a town in Prussia, near Berlin, or possibly after Queen Charlotte, wife of King George III.

Kenyon, from Lloyd, Lord Kenyon, born 1745, died 1802. He was a judge of a Welsh squire, called to the bar in 1776, attracted the attention of Lord Thurlow, who appointed him Chief Justice of Cheshire. In 1782 he was made Attorney-General, and two years later Master of the Rolls. On the retirement of Lord Mansfield, Pitt made Kenyon Chief Justice of the King's Bench, with the title of Lord Kenyon, Baron of Greidington. He was disliked by the bar for his overbearing disposition and insolent manners, but favored by the public on account of the rigid line he took in 1800.

Lochiel, of Culloden fame, the south. "Lochiel, Lochiel, beware of the day When the Lowland shall meet you in battle array—"

"Proud Cumberland prances, insulting

"Eyewitnesses describe murders perpetrated by the direct command of the Duke of Cumberland—wounded on the field ordered to be shot—one man hanged by his orders, without even the ceremony of investigation or trial—another 'ashed to the limit of physical endurance—others hacked with the broad sword to death. The country was laid waste with fire and sword. The castles of Lovat, Glenargy and Lochiel were burnt. Huts and hovels were destroyed; without distinction of age, or sex, or rank, without breed of guile or the existence of suspicion, the miserable inhabitants were like wild beasts upon their mountains, or driven with their cattle to be butchered with them in the south, while naked women were compelled to ride on horses, and were thereafter violated."—Forbes' Jacobite Memoirs.

"The traitor of Gordon Forbes and of Colonel Gardiner shed a lustre on the scene disgraced by the Duke of Cumberland and his myrmidons; the generous devotion of Lochiel elevates a party for which such a lustre as Lovat shed."—North British Review.

PRESCOTT COUNTY

Was named after General Robert Prescott, who took part in the American War; was sent to Canada in 1796 to relieve Lord Dorchester; he strengthened the forts of Quebec, and served as Governor of Canada, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick till 1799, when he was succeeded by Lieut-Governor Milnes.

Prescott wrote to Prince Edward, Duke of Kent, in August, 1797, speaking of the extravagant price of provisions in Upper Canada and of the drunkenness of the soldiers when they got their monthly pay, and many other letters from his pen are found in the Archives.

Caledonia, from a name given by the Romans to the northern part of Scotland.

"O Caledonia, stern and wild! Meet nurse for a poetic child."

Alfred, from Prince Alfred, son of George III, born 1780, died 1782.

Phaenagant, from a surname of the royal family of England from Henry II. to Richard III. inclusive. The name is now borne through collateral descent by the Duke of Buckingham and Chando (Grenville).

Longueuil, from the seigneur, Colonel the Baron de Longueuil, who served on the British side in the Revolutionary War.

Hawesbury, from Lord Hawesbury, a member of the Portland Coalition Government (1783). "Of

proved to be one of the wisest of the errors of that period." But all that Sherbrooke did accomplish was nullified by the ill-judged disavowal of his incompetent successor, the Duke of Richmond. The health of Governor Sherbrooke was so poor that he could not remain long in Canada. Bathurst, from Henry, second Earl Bathurst, son of Baron Apsley, born 1762, died 1834. Was Lord Commissioner of the Admiralty, Commissioner for India, Foreign Secretary, Colonial Secretary, President of the Council and First Lord of the Admiralty. He married a daughter of the Duke of Richmond. The Archives contain much correspondence with Lord Bathurst, whose name was given to a District in Canada, afterward abolished as Earl of Parliament.

Dalhousie, from Lord George Ramsay, Earl of Dalhousie, born 1770, died 1838.

Dalhousie, from the Earl of Dalhousie, Governor of Nova Scotia, founder of Dalhousie College, Halifax, who on the death of the Duke of Devonshire was appointed by Lord Bathurst Governor-General of Canada. He could not leave Nova Scotia immediately, and Sir Peregrine Maitland performed the duties until Dalhousie's arrival in 1820. Mr. Christie, the historian, says "there was a manliness, candor and integrity in his character, that could not fail to command the respect of every man of judicious mind acquainted with him." Lord Dalhousie was Governor of Canada until 1828, when he was appointed Under-Secretary of the forces in India.

A recent number of the Acadia Recorder (Halifax) gives the following glimpses of old times:

In the summer of 1826 that the Duke of Manchester, Sir Howard Douglas, Governor of New Brunswick, Governor of the Island of Prince Edward, and the Duke of Dalhousie, who was expected from Canada late in the month of August, the 1st August the inhabitants of Halifax gave a ball in honor of the Countess of Dalhousie. It was brilliant in the extreme. The company began to assemble at nine o'clock, and when the Duke, the Countess and Lady Dalhousie arrived, and were received at the entrance of the building by the committee of management, the hands playing, "God Save the King." Her Ladyship was led into the room by the Hon. Michael Wallace, and dancing soon after commenced—Lady Dalhousie opening the ball with the Hon. Judge Halliburton, and they being followed by Lord Dalhousie and the lady of the Master of the Rolls—Mrs. Robt. At 12 o'clock the supper room was thrown open. The Hon. Judge Halliburton conducted Her Ladyship to the head of the table. On his left was seated the Earl of Dalhousie, and on the right of the Countess, Sir James Kempe. The supper was of every delicacy which could be procured, and all appeared to enjoy it. The health of Lady Dalhousie was given by Judge Halliburton, and was received by the company with the most rapturous applause. Lord Dalhousie rose and returned thanks for the tribute of respect thus offered to Her Ladyship, and at one o'clock Lord and Lady Dalhousie retired. The mark of attention thus paid to the Countess was as gratifying to her feelings as it was honorable to the community. No complaint could have been paid which would have expressed more fully the gratitude of the public for the honor of her visit—and it was remarked, that while the virtues which elevated the female character were cherished in Nova Scotia, Her Ladyship's bright example would not be forgotten.

Beckwith, from Col. Sidney Beckwith, who took a prominent part in the war of 1812-14, having charge of the troops sent to Bermuda in 1813. His reports to Lord Bathurst appear in the Archives.

Montague, origin uncertain. Admiral Montague, who had command of the Jamaica station, is mentioned in connection with Commodore Downie's promotion. Montague is the family name of the Earl of Sandwich and of the Duke of Manchester, who married a sister of the Duchess of Richmond.

Thou there was the well known Charles Montague, Earl of Halifax (1691-1715), Chancellor of the Exchequer, who devised the plan to establish the Bank of England, carried the Recoinage Act and put the tax on windows.

Drummond, from General Sir Gordon Drummond, born at Quebec, 1771, was with Sir R. B. Schomberg in Egypt, 1801, was an intimate friend of the

Marquis of Salisbury, and was a member of the House of Commons.

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